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#### FOREIGN LABOR.

Professor Frank Julian Warne, staff correspondent of the Philadelphia Public Ledger, is writing a series of interesting articles for that paper from Wilkesbarre, Pa., on "The Slav Invasion of the An thracite Region," and the facts and figures which he furnishes are most signifi He says that in 1880 in all the northern section of the anthracite region of Pennsylvania, more definitely in Lackawanna county, there were but eighty 1890 these had increased to 8,181, and by 1900 to 18,818. In Luzerne county the Slavs have increased from 449 in 1880 to 19,330

In view of these statistics it is not surprising to hear this intelligent writer say that the Slavs have largely displaced English-speaking miners and caused more region. The Slav is able to live on less so high as that of the American work-"The tendency of this competition from the start," says Mr. Warne, "was to establish a minimum wage in the vari occupations about the collieries. which was not, as a general statement sufficient to support the English-speaking mine workers' comparatively high standthe same for all mine workers the tenseen, however, that there was a continual inflow of lower Slav standards, adding over-supply of labor. The stand ard varied, therefore, among the different groups. The standard of the lowes was set by the individual having the fewest wants, and these were mere

When we speak of the cost of living many things are to be taken in b consideration. In China many laborers live on even in America there are those who live and manage to support life fairly well. fortable home and give their children an education find the cost of living much greater. It all depends on the standard

It may be argued from an economic point of view that it is well to keep the standard of the workingman low, so that his wages may be kept down, to the clearly this is not in the interest of sociis not as good a citizen as the man who improve the character of our citizenship to have high ideals. It may be in the interest of the mine owners, and incidentcoal, to have the mines operated Slavs. But as a general proposition it is and Chinese and others whose standard of living is low to come in and compete with American workmen, and either re duce the American's standard of living or drive him out of occupation.

Immigration statistics just sent out from Washington continue to heat records, and total arrivals of over 1,000,000 aliens the present fiscal year seem now

Last year's total was 857,046, which was 62,054 in excess of the number of arrivals in any previous year. An increase of only twenty-five per cent, over last year's figures would make this year's total more than 1,000,000, but the increase for the first two months of this fiscal year amount to 36,184, or thirty-eight per cent. more than the corresponding months in last year. If the same rate of increase be maintained throughout the year the and total will be 1,178,952.

So says a Washington correspondent. and he adds that there is little change the character of the immigration shown by the August figures. The three counries of Austria-Hungary, Italy and Ruscontinue to supply more than one-half

of the total number of arrivals. These are the men who are displacing merican workmen in the mines. How ong will it be before they displace them other branches of industry? Yet Reblicans are forever telling us that the ariff is levied to protect American workmen against foreign competition. Let the American workman study these facts and figures and decide for himself how much protection he gets out of the tariff.

## PUBLIC CLEANLINESS.

Rev. John J. Doherty, paster of St. Mary's Church, the leading Roman herself in line for design Catholic Church of Norfolk, created in several directions. something of a sensation when he de-

desecrated the house of God by their action, and if they continued the nulsance company. He further declared that while he had a pretty fair idea of the identity of the spitters he would employ a detective to attend services and report them to him. These reports he proposed to read to the congregation and would cause the arrest of the guilty parties as violathe city ordinance prohibiting spitting in public buildings.

ing a splendid work for public decency, and we wish that other preachers in ple. It is a shame that men will go into the house of God and soll the building by spitting on the floor. It is bad enough to commit this nuisance in ordinary buildings, but when the nulsance is committed in the house of God it becomes with those who love tobacco, but the man who cannot control his appetite while he is in church must be an abject slave. and he ought to be ashamed to make a public confession of such a weakness. It our public buildings and sidewalks are cities of the South and those of New abroad. The South has much to boast of, but in thrift, in public cleanliness and public ornamentation we are far behind

#### POLITENESS.

It is reported from Raleigh that a mes senger hov, who was recently summoned to the establishment of a negro, was dence. The boy replied that it depended upon whose residence it was. By which meant to say, we presume, that he

We hope that the hoy readers of this It is not necessary to say that this paper is opposed to social equality, but polite races, and politeness requires that when example in all such matters. It should be ness toward a negro the reflection is not ners of the offender. No man loses any thing by acting the part of a gentleman in all his dealings and without respect te persons.

#### JACKSON WARD.

The movement in Council committees looking to the redivision of the wards of Richmond is in compliance with the provisions of the Constitution of Virginia, which requires that in every city in the State representation in the Council thereof, shall be reapportloned in 1903 and each ten years thereafter.

As now laid off the wards here are very unequal in population, the present years ago, except that very lately, Clay

The creation of Jackson Ward v political necessity. The majority of the negro voters were corralled there, in order to keep the control of the city government safely in the hands of the whites. Property owners in that section of them with no little bitterness, that that ward division was hurtful to their propin the beginning. Quite likely it had the depression of property values there; of a "Shoe string district," and the blacks are in great numbers there.

of Jackson Ward no longer exist, and he longer continued as a political division of this city. The demand of public policy for its obliteration is now quite as strong as it ever could have been for its formation.

One of the chief reasons which induced the people of Virginia to go to the trouble and expense of holding a Constitutional Convention was that the elected rate should be so restricted as to make it' unnecessary to resort to any "short cuts" in order to keep the control of the government in the hands of the white people. We have a restricted and much improved electorate now, and the argument once made in favor of Jackson Ward's lines no longer exists.

We do not believe it is for the best interests of the property owners of that ward or the community in general that it should continue; we think it would be better-much better-if the ward were merged into the adjacent ward,

As for the territorial lines proposed in redividing the city, we are unable at this moment to give an opinion, but we shall sustain every effort made by the Council and its committees fairly to divide Richmond into wards nearly as possible equal in population.

It is possible that other plans may be proposed. We want the best one adopted. having in view the obliteration of Jackson Ward (as it is known now), having in view, also, a compliance with the requirements of the new Constitution, and the act of Assembly of 1902-1903, which act looks to the erection of wards so that no one ward shall exceed any other wards by more than 3,000 inhabitants

When divided upon such a basis as we have indicated Richmond will have put herself in line for desirable improvements

It is out of the question to suppose punced male members of the parish for | that the mass of the people of Richmond ting on the floor of the church are going to be content with ward divi- now gots away with fifty-two pounds

Father Doherty declared that such men; slons, nearly all of which were made on the heel of reconstruction times and before the community had had any op portunity to judge by experience what they might expect from the newly enfranchised voter.

So we say to the City Council and to its committee go ahead and redivide the city and give us the best ward divisions you possibly can, considering only the public good. Be sure that no personal or individual interest is made superior to the public interest.

#### AN ERRONEOUS HEADLINE.

In The Times-Dispatch of September 23rd appeared an item of political news from Louisa, Va., headed "Robert A. Crawford, an Independent Candidate. The headline was erroneous and misading, as there was nothing in the body of the special to indicate that Mr. Craw ford was running as an independent. On the contrary, it was plainly stated by was a candidate for the nomination for primary election which will be held at each of the voting precincts in the county on October 10th, between the

Mr. Crawford was the nominee of to represent Louisa in the House of at that time at the instance of many of sake of more perfect harmony in the personal ambitions to the good of Demagain seeking the nomination, but, as already stated, will submit his claims to the primary and abide by the result.

#### NORTH CAROLINA DAY.

On the 12th of October Greensboro will have a celebration to be known as "North Carolina Day." While the celebration will be at Greensboro, it will not be by any means a local affair, but a State affair, The General Assembly adopted a resolution giving its formal sanction to the occasion, and united with the local committee in extending a cordial invitation to the absent sons and daughters of the State to visit Greensbore at that time, and assuring them all a welcome both hearty and sincers. The officers of the State government are appointed a reception committee on the part of the State at large, and there are local reception committees to represent Greensboro and the county of Gullford.

As already intimated, the State thus invites all of her sons and daughters who have moved into other sections of the country to come home on that day and ters. There will be some formal proan informal gathering of North Carolin ians, and it will be a merry time. The occasion will be much like "Old Home Week," which has become so popular in New England, and apart from the social some of the North Carolinians who have will return for good and all and spend of the prosperity of the old North State and help to promote it.

Dr. Charles D. McIver, who is full from head to foot-and that is to say a great deal-with energy and zeal and love for all mankind, especially for the people of North Carolina; a man who has consecrated himself to the cause of education and to every good cause in his State, is at the head of this movement, and will be more or less master of ceremonies. That statement in itself is enough to give assurance that North Carolina Day of Greensboro will be an occasion of inerest and hospitality and jollification, of cordial hand-shakings and good eating and good jokes and good sentiments, and that those who attend will be glad.

proud of herself, and her sons and daugh It will be sweet for the absent ones to set home once again and touch albow with their kinsmen, and the whole State will feel the thrill of the affectionate reunion.

North Carolina residing in Richmond will the immediate purpose of which is to seat Greensboro. It is hoped that all Carolinians in the city will be present.

Much excitement prevails in political circles in New York, owing to the fact that two of the candidates nominated by the Fusionists, along with Mayo Low, have agreed to accept endorse ments from Tammany! What is more it is said that Low was consulted by them before they made up their minds! Tammany seems to have scored again

against its old enemies.

The slump in United States Steel stocks has caused much anxiety in the minds of those concerned about Carnegie library funds. Assurance, however, has com that he views the slump with the utmost complacency. The following is from an authentic source:

"Mr. Carnegle never owned any second mortgage bonds or shares of the United States Steel trust. His bonds are first mortgage bonds, covering all the prop-erty, and are not quoted on the Stock Exchange.'

The man who, seventy years ago, or hundred as the case may be, discovered Chicago should not be held responsible for anything that happened since.

When Dowle gets his barrel real ful

he can run for some big office in some State where they have no Barksdale pure election laws. Nevada is another State, or an excus-

for one, that believes in white man supremacy. They are mobbing Chinese ou there. Newport News has tried another carni-

another case of disgust. The startling statement is made by the statistics makers that the American

as a natural result has

more of beef in a year than the well fed

It would do the heart of a disciple of the hog and hominy doctrine good to visit Southside Virginia just about this

Senator Morgan is saying nice things about the President now and proposes to show just where Nicaraugua can come

President Castro has been dubbed the "sick man of the Western Hemisphere," and he seems to like it.

The Maryland is in the water all right now, having completed her dry-dock experience for the present.

General Miles has "struck ile" in Texas and does not want the presidency. Good enough.

Albert Edward may yet prove to the British nation that a king can take an The President's vacation, such as it

With a Comment or Two.

was, lasted thirteen weeks.

Farmville Heraki: A Richmond girl left home, was oversiken by her father and carried back. For only reason was that "Richmond was too slow." Let her wait until the mayordty contest is in full swing and it will "malte her head swim." The idea of Richmond being slow, when there isn't a mule car left in the city.

It is much to be feared that the President's fine sermons and moral essays will not greatly impres the public hereafter. It will always be speculating whether or not they are delivered with a six-shooter in his hip pocket.—Charleston News and

Courier.

True enough, but jokes on that subject need to be accompanied with chart and specifications up this way.

We would remind our North Carolina contemporaries that it might not be agreeable to the esteemed Richmond Times-Dispatch to have credited to its authorship articles clipped from these columns.—Norfolk Ledger.

While we will not raise any rumpus about it, we think it would be better always to give credit to whom credit is

"Get out and rustle, 'Rastus!' The new generation wes you nothing but what you earn—d useful career if you do well, and, if therwise, a good, swift kick. It is not philanthropy, but it's business."—Portland Oregonion.

That's the way the esteemed Oregonian would settle the care problem.

would settle the race problem and that's the way it would be settled if far away, self-styled philanthropists would keep

#### Remarks About Richmond

Blackstone Couder: In Elchmond's pri-mary only about 3,700 votes were polled out of a possible 10,000. It seems but as little interest wis taken there in the legislative fight as in other places.

Newport News Press: The automobile continues to grow in favor, but Richmond believes in giving the horse a show.

Norfolk County Times: The primary in Richmond city appears to have been very dull. Less than four thousand voice was a very poor showing for the capital city, but they have selected good men for the Legislature and no special harm was done. Newport News Press: Those Richmond

officials who accepted pay for their "po-litical influence" in the railway franchish fight will be made to feel that they charged an exorbitant price when they remeasured the goods at the next elec-

Norfolk Ledger: The loans made to those Richmond councilmen by the friends of the street railway company are said to have been "regular business transactions." Well, yes, we have no doubt that that sort of thing is getting to be quite a business.

# Trend of Thought In Dixie Land

Columbia State: According to the vital statistics in the census one-third more storks are given employment in the South than in the rest of the country, but the proportion of our birds with black plumage is not mentioned.

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Savannah News: "Booker T. Washington," it is announced, "will go to Europe for a rest." That is good of Booker. It has reached a point where it is up to him or the American people to go to Europe or somewhere else if they are to Europe or Euro

Florida Times-Union: Delaware judges who are truly anxious to do good might find something wrong closer at home than "in the South." The wrong man is some-times lynched in the South by mistake, but few things can be worse than 'Ad-dicks, Alee & Co. Let Justice Lor-look at the beam in the eye of his own State.

Louisville Courier-Journal: No wonder the old boys in gray shouted and voted down the Missouri proposition that the Daughters of the Confederacy rewrite the words of "Dixie," The words of "Dixie" cannot be changed with pen and fak. They cannot be changed even by resolution. And if they could it would be a poor venture to change them. There could be no more hopeless exhibition of imane drivel than that which is furnished in the words of our modern song writers.

# Personal and General.

Richard S. Howse formerly trainer of thoroughbreds in King Edward's stables, was buried in Denver, Col., on Friday last.

Aime Dupont's photographic studio was urned out at Newport one night last

M. M. Parker, of Washington, has just made a trio of 80 miles through the New England State, covering the distance in ten days without an accident of any char-acter.

1. L. Whitman and E. I. Hammond fin-ished, on September 23d, at Portland, Me. a transcontinental automobile trip, havins left San Francisco forty-eight days and a half ago. Julius Krutt Schmidt, Jr., went to Yale as a freshman in a special private car, Guadaloupe, Itis father is fourth vice-president and general manager of the Southern Pacific Rallroad.

John Hazaitine, known throughout cen-tral New York as a philanthropist, has announced plans to take a colony of 1,000 Syracuse people to Montana for the pur-pose of establishing a town.

Mahe) McKinley Baer, nicce of the late President McKinley, has offered \$25,000 towards establishing a free conservatory of music in New York city, and will give her own services entirely free of charge as one of the instructors.

## Chestnut Hill and Highland Park !

Mr. and Mrs. George Pitman, of Washington, have been the guests of Mrs. Thomas L. Whiting, of Meadow Bridge Read. Dr. and Mrs. D. K. Walthall and little

Dr. and Mrs. D. K. Waithall and little son, Barclay, have returned home after spending two months with friends in Lynchburg and Amelia county.

Mr. William Price, of Waitervalley, Mississippi, is quite sick at the home of his sister, Mrs. Goodwin, of Chesinut Hill.

On account of the absence of the pastor, Rev. D. K. Waithall, of Mignah Presbyterian Church, the usual mid-week services will for this week be held on Friday evening at 8 o'clock instead of Thursday evening as 18 o'clock instead of Thursday evening, as heretofore announced.

Miss Ruby Gresham is the guest of her friend, Miss Pattye Christian, of Popiar Hill.

Hill.

The Young People's Flinch Club will on next Friday evening hold its next meeting at the residence of Miss Rebecca Clarke, on Third Avenue.

Miss Jenette Quarles, of Atlee Station, Hanover county, is visiting Miss Evelyn Weaver. Veaver. Miss Graves, of Alexandria, has returned

home after spending several weeks with her sister, Mrs. McGraw, of Fourth Ave-Mrs. Perkins and daughter, Drucilla, of Baltimore, who for the past several weeks have been the guests of the former's daughter, Mrs. D. M. O'Brien, have returned home.

Mrs. G. C. Pendleton, of Essex county, has returned after having spent the summer with her daughter, Mrs. E. W. Christian.

tian.

Miss Mercy Lane, of Mechanicsville
Pike, who is still in New York, is not
expected to return home before the middie of October.

Mrs. William Spratley and daughter,
Elizabeth, are visiting relatives in the

county.
Mr. and Mrs. Smith and daughter, Miss Annie Smith, are among the now residents of the "HIL!" Dr. S. P. Christian, who has been visit-ng in New Kent, will return home next

Miss Alma Vaughan is able to resume er school duties after being confined to

his home.

A well-attended revival is in progress at Highland Park Mathodist Church. Dr. Cooper, of Saint James' Church will conduct the services this week.

Mr. Eugene Jones, of Lynchburg, has returned, after visiting friends on the "Hill."

# Barton Heights.

There will be a birthday party at the parish hall of the Church of the Epiphany at § P. M., Friday, October 2d, given by the young ladies of the Linior Auxiliary. Invitations of a unique character will be sent out and a large crowd is expected. There will be music recttations and refreshments. Donations of monoy according to age are asked for from one jenny a year up, but there is no restriction as to the amount given. Mrs. N. B. Croxton has loft for King William county, to visit friends and relatives. ives. Mr. Walter Kidwell has left for Irwin,

on business.

Dr. Garlick, who has been visiting friends on the Heights, has returned to Petersburg.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Briggs have moved

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Briggs have moved to Ashland.
Miss Roberta Christian, of Gaines Mill, is the guest of Mrs. W. T. Christian.
Mrs. J. V. Aifriend and children have returned home from Norfolk.
The Ladies' Aid Society of the Methodist Church, will hold a very important meeting at Mrs. John Roso, at 4 P. M. to-morrow.
The C. M. A. Club will meet at the home of Mr. Overton Woodward to-day at 4 P. M. All members are requested to attend.

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Mrs. C. E. Squires expects to leave soon for Washington, where she will spond the winter with relatives.

Mr. Otley Harvey formerly of this place, but now of Nowark, N. J. Is expected here soon on a visit to relatives. Miss Ruth Crutchfield has returned home, after a visit to friends in Texas.

Mr. Percy Chieholm has returned home after a visit to relatives in Hanover. Miss Rosa Thorpe, of Norfolk, is the giest of Miss Blanche Jones.

Miss Grace Duval and Miss Robe Wright, of Chesterfield, are the guests of Miss Molle Duval.

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Mrs. W. W. Ball, of Washington, is visiting Mrs. George E. Carter.
Miss Alice Cogbill, who is visiting Mrs. Geral Griffith, of Newport News, will

Geral Grillith, of Newbort return soon, Miss Bessle Prince, of Courtland, is the guest of Mrs. George A. Minor. Mr. H. Hollaway, who has been visiting in Chicago, has returned home. Mr. Henry Alvis will leave Monday for Newport News.

weeks.
Miss Mary Estes, of Louisa, is visiting Mrs. S. P. Jones.
Miss Ida Lee has left to teach school near Newport News.
Mr. Wingfield, of Chesterfield, is the guest of his father, on North Avenue,
Mr. J. Watkins, who has been visiting in Staunton, has returned home.
Mr. William Dabney is visiting in New York.

York.

Mrs. Beach, of Hanover, is the guest of Mrs. Gayle, of Chestnut Hill.

Mrs. B. L. West, of Low'sa, is visiting Mrs. H. Beal, of Meadow Bridge Road.

Mr. Clarenco Lee, who has been visiting his father for the past two weeks, his returned to his home in Staunton.

Miss. Alice Fianagan, of Fisnagan's Mill. is the guest of Mrs. B. A. Overby and Mrs. Madison Flanagan.

Mrs. H. Fromer, who has been visiting friends in Trenton, N. J., has returned home.

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Mr. Henry Houchens, of Louisa, is the guest of friends on Miller Avenue.

Miss Grahum Benson gave a birthday farty in honor of her seventh birthday. Games were mayed and refundmentally acresses of those Hospitisters in Joya, Austin and Dumont Marieustein, Louise Jessie Wondenhuig, Ruth Farty, Jense, Jessie Wondenhuig, Ruth Farty, Ethel and Elliott Baughan and Robert and Wilbur Staunton.

Mr. James C. Harrison, who has been visiting Mr. John Ferdins, has left for Petersburg.

# Fairmount News.

Town Sergeaut J. W. Rainey has tendered his resignation to the Mayor to take effect at once. Mr. Rainey has made a most efficient officer and his determination to resign is generally regretted. No other reason is assigned by him other than he has business affairs of his own and he feels that he cannot do the town and himself justice by continuing as town sergeant.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Thacker, of No. 215 Fairmount Avenue, are at Oliver's, Hanover county, where they went to be with Mrs. Margaret Duke, sister of the former, who is critically ill.

Mrs. J. P. Reanolds, who has been visiting her, parents, Mr. and Mrs. William H. Woody, has returned to her home in New York.

Mrs. Bassie Casey Thacker has returned from a stay of eight weeks with relatives in King and Queen county.

The many friends of Mrs. McCartney 

will regret to hear of the serious illness of two of her children.

Mr. Hasty has moved his family out on the Miles also gone with her sister. Mrs. Hasty has also gone with her sister. Mrs. Hasty has also gone with her sister. Mrs. Hasty has also gone with her sister. Mrs. Hasty hasty hiller, the first of the week.

The funeral of little Ruth Jackson, infant child and only daughter of Mr. The funeral of little Ruth Jackson, infant child and only daughter of Mr. The funeral of little Ruth Jackson, infant child and only daughter of Mr. The funeral of little Ruth Jackson, infant child and only daughter of Mrs. The funeral of little Ruth Jackson, infant child and only daughter of Mrs. The funeral of little Ruth Jackson, infant child and only daughter of Mrs. And Wiss Evelyn Stroude, a gathering of relatives and friends, Rev. J. O. Babcock united Mr. James P. Callenberger and Miss Evelyn Stroude, a fair young lady of Manchester.

Mr. Harry McCann was bost man, while Miss Anne Quintenni was bridesmaid. Both Mr. Callenberger and his bride are well known young people in this city, as well as Manchester and Suffolk, where the groom is now located and has a host of friends and admirers who extend to hem their heartiest congratuation and has been the first of the work of the most of the work of the most of the most

promise of being one of the busiest Hives of th's district.

Mrs. Plerce, of Chelsea Hill, is very much indisposed.

Willie Pondicton, of Venteble Street, has returned from Fredericksburg, where he spent a delightful time.

Mrs. Schinnault is in King William county, visiting relatives and friends.

Mrs. Harris, of Newport News, was the guent of her sister. Mrs. Rhoades, on Twenty-second Street Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Newsome have taken the house, No. 2005 Fairmoust Avenue and will move into it to-day.

## Fulton Notes.

The Ladies' Miss'onary Society of Fulton Baptist Church will give a missionary ten to-morrow night in the lecture-room of the Church. Rev. W. S. Leake, former pastor, will deliver an address.

Mrs. Walter Turner and Hitle daughter, Dorothy, of Roswell, New Mexico, will come next Monday to spend the winter with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Jordan, of Nicholson Street.

Mr. B. R. Eldridge, Jr., of Fulton Hill, has sold his property and will remove to the West End.

Street.

Mrs. Norman Smith will give a social at her home on the Charles City Road to-morrow night for the benefit of Montrose

Chapel.

Henrico Council, No. 733, Royal Arcanum, will hold an important meeting tomum, will hold an important meeting or morrow night at Nelson Hall.

Miss Mayme Jordan will have her full opening of millinery on to-morrow and Friday at her remodeled store, on Wil-lamsburg Avenue.

Mr. Albert Wilde, of Pittsburg, Pa., is visiting his father, Dr. Wilde, of Ful-ton Hill.

Editor of The Times-Dispatch:

The Nursery Law.

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Sir.—Your correspondent in Sunday's Times-Dispatch, from Morrisville, Va., gives us some interesting history concerning fruit growing and some facts as to its great profit, all of which is very true, for there is nothing which gives a man more real happiness and greater profit than fruit growing. But it is not to enlarge on this part of his most interesting letter, but to thank him for being, as far as I know, the first man to attack in print, that iniquitous, and abominable so-called "law" passed by the last seession of Legislature, and known as chapter 201 in acts of Assembly. He strikes the keynote when he says that "there is not such an unjust and unfar law to be found on the statute books of any other State in the Union.

And the people of Fauquier county, who express themselves so clearly against this law should act and help to get rid of it, as we should easily be able to the control of the law, as passed without any attention having seen given it save by those interested in the passage, and who they were noody can find out. For the law, as passed is positively and entirely different from a law that was framed and virginia at its last annual meeting. The wood was pulled over the Society of the too confiding nurserymen who had endorsed by the Horticultral Society of the too confiding nurserymen who are a retiring, modest, palminstelling, law, and this final monstrosity railroaded through and sprung like a trip upon nurserymen, who are a retiring, modest, palmitaking, law-abiding people, doing more good than all the politicians that ever existed from the beginning of the world up to the present day, who have stood aside and allowed laws to be made controlling their business, without a protest, law, which treat nurserymen as if they were felons, when, in fact, they are the most law-abiding citizens.

The nursery business occupies a peculiar position in commerce, while we conduct our business pretty much along the lines of other business, we have enormous expe

them, but do not make laws giving them the power of a Czar and allow them to dictate and rough-ride over law-abiding citizens.

Make them subordinates to good and proper responsible authority. The United States Government has its entomological department under control of the Secretary of Agricultural Department, under control of a commissioner, who has made his department an example and a byword of excellence throughout the United States, who as a native Virginian takes pride in his State and its welfare and capital into our State. Put this department of cursory and orchard inspection under charge of his department; make the entomologists subordinate to him; give him funds to operate this department of nursory and orchard inspection under charge of his department; make the entomologists subordinate to him; give him funds to operate this department; make the entomologists subordinate to him; give him funds to operate this department; make the entomologists subordinate to him; give him funds to operate this department; make the entomologists of the mountains, where experiments have to be made all the time, and where no criterion can be obtained; utilize our State farm in this direction and better still accept the proposition of nurserymen who are willing to furnish trees in various sections of the State, graits, for experimental orchards, to responsible parties who will plant and care for them and report on same. Why the \$20 was assessed against nurserymen who are willing to furnish, as the hill also carries an appropriation of \$6,000 annually to pay for inspecting and cleaning orchards. Nurserymen are willing to pay so much per diem to nave their nurseries inspected, if this is necessary, though, as I have before said, they know better how to keep their stock clean than they can be told.

It is not the nurserymen who need or require this "policing," as it was called by one who favored the bill, but the

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K. MORTON,
Vice-President for Virginia of American
Association of Nurserymen.
Richmond, Va.

Wants Chinese Labor.
Editor of The Times-Dispatch:
Sir.—I see from your paper of the 77th issue that the good people in King George are up to the same conditions that the farmers are in James City county-scarcity of labor. Possibly the Northern Neck end the Peninsula are too disadvantageously situated for labor. In the first place with us, the rivers are too full of your county of the place with us, the rivers are too full of work. As the oyster season is now on, culte an army are oystering; after that, fishing, and last, the tilling of the soil, just enough to make corn, for a few months.

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I have been informed that a society has been formed in the two Eastern Shore countles, where farm labor sets its own price. I am very much in favor of having the next Legislature promulgate resolutions to all of Virginia's Congressmen and Senators in the United States House of Representatives to repeal the Chinese expulsion law, and let them come to Virginia as farm labor. We will have to look to foreign labor if agriculture is to be carried on.

ASTERICK, Toano, Sept. 28, 1903.

# News of Railroads.

All the railroads of the State are of-fering very low rates for the Richmond Horse Show and anticipate handling a large number of visitors to the city. The rate agreed upon is one fare for the round trip, plus 50 cents, which entities the purchaser to one admission to the show.

The Scatoard Air Line has issued its

show.

The Seaboard Air Line has issued its comparative statement of earnings for the third week in September: Earnings for the week of this year, \$20,621, compared with \$763,568, a decrease of \$29,819.751. For the three weeks ended September 22d, the earnings were \$723,750, compared with \$763,568, a derease of \$29,818. For the period from July lat to Scottenlier 22, 1503, the earnings were \$2,715,790 compared with \$2,646,309 for the same period of last year, an increase of \$29,348 for the period of the current year. The Chesapeuke and Ohio Railway's comparative statement of earnings and expenses for August and for July and August makes a magnificent showing of progress, the net earnings have increased \$357,758,15 in less than three months. The statement follows: Grose curnings this year, \$1,546,291,377, last year, \$1,107,633,72; increase, \$236,775,03. Rot earnings, \$600,772,05 this year; \$266,775,03 lest year; increase, \$20,775,05.

573.95 this year: \$364,798.93 lack year; increase, \$236,775.03.

From July to Soptember 20th, gross earnings, \$3,216,696.46; last year, \$2,208,-725.04; increase, \$1,070,390.45. Not earnings, \$1,203.574.27; last year, \$666,139.12; increase, \$1,670,574.27; last year, \$666,139.12; increase, othering special rates to the coming Confiderate reunion at Newport News and will carry a large number from this city, and points west of here, having the only direct railway line to the Shipbuilding City.

## ODDS AND ENDS.

Contributing Factor.

"Now my slater-in-law," said the stranger, "has led more women to become regular attendants at church than-" "You don't tell me!" exclaimed the Rev. Mr. Priestley, "So she is an evangelist," No, but she's the most fashionable "No, but she's the most fashionable milliner in town."—Philadelphia Press.

Wages of Eur pean Sovereign, Wages of Eur pean Sovereigh.
A statistician in Paris has been compriting the "wages" which European sovereigns receive, with the following result:
The Czar of Ruesia gets is a minute, the Emperor of Austra is, the King of thely is the King of Spain it!, the King of the He King of Spain it!, the King of the He King of Spain it!, the King of the He King of Denmark is,50, while Peter, the new sovereign of Servia, receives the mere pitance of \$1.55 a minute. These "wages" are reckoned on a basis that each monarch in question works for six hours a day, six days in the week.—Chicago News.

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